

REMARKS

On June 30, 2004, a telephone interview was held with the Examiner.

During this interview, she expressed reservations about the term "Woolmark" appearing in the claims. In reply, the term is accepted in the art as can be seen from U.S. 6,242,059, paragraph bridging columns 7 and 8, and there is no reason why such term (even if a trademark) cannot be present in the claims. See MPEP 2173.05(u).

Further, at the interview, the Examiner questioned whether it is acceptable for the material to be defined in terms of properties. In reply, please see MPEP 2173.05(t) in which this is stated to be acceptable.

In the response filed on June 28, 2004, it was explained how the recited properties help to define the claimed material and also, how the steps to produce the material help to define it.

It is also explained in such response how such properties and steps distinguish over the prior art in significant ways.

In view of the foregoing taken with the response filed on June 28, 2004, allowance of this application is respectfully requested.

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